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Sir:

In accordance with Rule 111 of the Rules of Practice please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On Page 1, line 11 after "is" please insert - - a Continuation of copending U.S. Serial No. 08/951,130 filed on October 15, 1997 which is [- therefor.

On line 12, after "the" please replace

"the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. Applicants claim the benefits of this Application under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)." with

- - the disclosures of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entireties. Applicants claim the benefits of these Application under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 (e) and 120. - - therefor.

On Page 15, line 6, please replace "Figure 2B." with - - Figures 2B-2D - - therefor; and